

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 24, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. TURPIE, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 13343.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 13343) granting a pension to Augustus G. Frable, have examined the same and report:

From the facts stated in House report, which is hereby approved, and is hereto attached and made a part of this report, we believe this to be a meritorious bill, and do recommend that it be passed.

HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 13343) granting a pension to Augustus G. Frable, submit the following report:

Augustus G. Frable was a member of Company I, Eleventh Pennsylvania Infantry Volunteers. He enlisted on the 28th day of August, 1861, and was discharged on the 8th day of June, 1865. While in the service he received a severe gunshot wound in the face, fracturing upper jawbones and injuring his eyesight, in the battle of the Wilderness, on the 5th day of May, 1864.

He applied for and is now drawing a pension of \$30 a month. The last medical board that examined claimant on January 12, 1883, states as follows:

The ball entered left cheek $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches from ala of nose, passing upward under the nose, fracturing the superior maxillary bone on line running to inner corner of left eye. The floor of the nose with the septum was fractured, which is now the seat of severe catarrh, so that he can not expose himself to cold air without being laid up with acute inflammation of the parts. The ball passed out three-quarters of an inch below the outer angle of right eye, fracturing superior maxillary bone. There has been continued conjunctivitis which has resulted in opacity of the cornea, and closing of nasal duct. A large, painful, and tender tumor has formed below the eye. He is constantly getting worse.

Disability, first grade.

J. L. CRAWFORD,
Examining Surgeon.

The affidavits of Drs. J. H. Hagen and J. C. McMurray, recently filed, show that he is constantly growing worse, the tumor growing larger and more painful, and in addition he is being afflicted with neuralgia and rheumatism, affecting his spine, which is the result of his wound. He is totally disabled and in destitute circumstances.

Your committee recommend the passage of the bill, with the following amendment: In lines 6 and 7 strike out "seventy-two" and insert "fifty" per month, and add "that nothing in this act shall prevent the Interior Department from increasing his pension on account of increased disability in the future, subject to the provisions and limitations of the pension law."